SCHOOLS GOOD AS PUBLIC DEMANDS

S. E. Kramer So Declares in **Urging Understanding** and Sympathy.

CITES GREAT VALUE OF PRETTY SURROUNDINGS

One of Speakers Before League Which Strives to Decorate Institutions of Learning.

That the public schools are only as good as the public demands and the an understanding and sympathetic public was asserted by Stephen E. Kramer, assistant superintendent of schools, in an address at the annual neeting of the League for the Decorafternoon at the home of its treasurer Charles J. Bell, 1327 Connecticut ave

"The school is a social institution and ts highest service is to answer felt needs," said Mr. Kramer. "We are going to come to greater changes in deas regarding schools. Children do ot come to school primarily to learn. They come primarily to grow. If they do not become better individuals day by day then the mere smattering of knowledge which we hand out to them s worse than useless.

"Children spend a large part of their time in school, therefore these should be places which fairly radiate. The process of education is bound to be made better by the decorations such as this league is putting into the schools.

Chief Business of School.

The chief business of the school to teach children just what the people want them to learn. If the parents' ideals are not high enough those in charge of the schools must raise them. This must be done as individuals, how-ever, not as officials."

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Snowden Ashford, municipal architect, explained a plan by which money for repairs to the schools could be divided into two parts, if congress would so allow. One part would be used only for repairs, embracing the replenishing of materials, while the other portion could be used for the beautification of buildings.

"This would draw a line between the utilitarian and the artistic," he said. "You cannot put on a new bonnet if your shoes are full of holes. So it is with buildings. You have to keep the roof tight first. Buildings must be kept in a sanitary condition, for the body must be cared for as well as the mind." He spoke of the need for obtaining the proper lighting in classrooms.

Physical Requirements.

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That there are a thousand and one requirements to meet in building schoolhouses, and a thousand and one L. M. Leisenring, an oculist safety, ventilation, heating, lighting-

"Safety, ventilation, heating, lighting—all of these are definite physical requirements which must be met," he said. He made numerous suggestions as to lighting and decorations.

Suggestions for the safeguarding of the eyes of pupils while they are studying were made by Dr. R. S. Lamb, an oculist. "Many school books have a glary impression because of the paper of which they are made," he said. "Then, too, children are not taught to hold a book so as to avoid reflected light. In many instances the letters are too small. Foreign print, particularly German, proves hard on the eyes of the children studying it. Gray and gray green are good colors to use in decorating, but red is a reprehensible thing to have about the place.

"I see the effect of too much light and of too little light with the children who come to my attention. This is due to the children being too near the window in the one case and too far from it in the other. This question of obtaining uniformity of light is one worthy seri-

the other. This question of obtaining uniformity of light is one worthy serious consideration."
Selden M. Ely, supervising principal of the fifth division, and Robert L. Haycock, supervising principal of the third division, spoke briefly in appreciation of the work done by the league for schools in their respective divisions.

Has Helped Two Schools.

"The league has helped two schools in my division, the Blake and the Gales," said Mr. Ely, "and I feel very proud of the work." "I assure you the children greatly

appreciate what you have done in my division," said Mr. Haycock. "Psychologically I believe in the great influence of beautiful things. I know, when I was in school, how I used to like to sit and look at a beautiful picture. I hope that in both the two new buildings which are to be built in my division-the Park View School and the addition to the Powell-that both the municipal architect and the league will

municipal architect and the league will assist in beautifying them."

Officers were re-elected as follows: President, J. Rush Marshall; vice presidents, Miss Leila Mechlin and Ernest L. Thurston: secretary, Miss Myra M. Hendley, and treasurer, Charles J. Bell. Mrs. Charles J. Bell and Mrs. Frederick J. Delano were elected to the executive council, in addition to the following, who were re-elected: Mrs. Ward Brown, J. C. Fitzpatrick, L. M. Leisenring, Miss Bertha Perric, Mrs. C. W. Richardson, Louis Simon, Mrs. Louis Simon, Miss Ailne Solomons, Miss M. P. Shipman, Miss Grace Lincoln Temple and Miss Annie M. Wilson.

Mr. Marshall presided. It was reported that fourteen schools had been helped by the league during the last year.

Defies Gov. Willis; Refuses to Quit.

COLUMBUS, Ohio, April 13.-The political turmell created last week by Gov. Willis' demand for resignation of fourteen members of the state commissions has been increased by transmission to the governor of a sharp letter from Charles H. Bryson, civil service commissioner. Bryson announced his intention of not resigning, and asserted in definite terms that "the governor has no business interfering with administration of civil service."

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DECLARED GEN. HUERTA

Former President, Now in New York, Expected to Hold Conference.

NEW YORK, April 13 .- Gen. Victo riano Huerta began today to attend to try the business which brought the former president of Mexico to New York and which he described as "personal and family." The general occupies one of the most expensive suites of the Hotel

Despite Huerta's assurances on landing yesterday that he would do nothing while here to violate the neutrality of the United States, it was reported today in Mexican circles that important conferences would be held here at ripe for Huerta to interfere in Mexico, rally his old battalions to his support and attempt to put down the factions ontending for the control of that It was said that agents o the federal government here were keeping a close watch upon his move-ments.

Going to Yucatan, Is Claim.

A statement given out by Francisco Elias, the consul general representing the Carranza faction here, said that

Huerta's destination is Yucatan, where LAND CASE INVOLVES he expects to inaugurate a revolution against Carranza."

Gen. Huerta turned over to the po ice a mysterious box which was supposed to contain candy and which was handed to him as he landed. He did not open it, but notified the hotel management. At the police station the box was opened by an expert in explosives and was found to contain ram-

plosives and was found to contain ram-bling manuscript, apparently written by some irresponsible person.

Gen. Huerta was permitted to land after he had taken oath before the immigration inspectors that he was not going either to Mexico or Cuba and had stated that his stay in this coun-try will be divided between business and pleasure.

Sues for \$15,000 Damages.

Giuseppe Calibrese, formerly employed as a trackman by the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company, has filed suit against the company to recover \$15,000 damages for alleged persona injury. He says a car on which he was riding October 6 last was overturned in rounding a curve and he received ant conferences would be held here at serious injury. Attorneys R. S. Hume once to determine whether the time was and G. H. Calvert, jr., represent the

Gamma Pi Fraternity Banquet.

Alleges Violation of Grant.

The government charges that abou 800,000 acres of a grant of 3,100,000 to a railroad to be constructed from California to Portland, Ore., were disposed of in violation of the conditions of the grant and is suing to recover the 2,-300,000 acres undisposed of.

Gamma Pi Fraternity Banquet.

The Gamma Pi Fraternity of the Maryland Agricultural College gave a banquet Sunday evening at the New Ebbitt, at which Mr. Cox of this city and Mr. Bivvens of the University of Virginia were guests of honor. Besides the active members of the fraternity there were two alumni, R. C. Williams and W. K. Robinson, present.

300,000 acres undisposed of.

The trial court decided in favor of the government, the circuit court of appeals certified certain questions to the Supreme Court and the Department of Justice asked the court to send up the entire record, which was done. Hearing has been set for April 19.

The abstract of the record fills nine-teen volumes of 500 pages each, and many intricate questions of law are involved.

Leaders of 1st Infantry, N. G. D. C., Entertain Adjutant General

at Dinner.

Officers of the 1st Regiment of Inantry, National Guard of the District of Columbia, last night entertained in onor of Maj. Joseph C. Castner, U. S. A., recently asigned to duty as adjutant general, District of Columbia militia, at a dinner at the Con-tinental Hotel. Speeches were prohibited, the guardsmen giving a twentieth century banquet, with songs and

Those present were: Col. Charles H Ourand, Lieut, Col. Glendle B. Young, Maj oseph F. Hodgson, Maj. Wallach A. Me Cathran, Maj. George L. Tait, Capt. Willlam R. McCathran, Capt. John W. Dehmann, Capt. Alvin D. Hathaway, Capt. William A. Pennoyer, Capt. Frank Lockhead, Capt. Edwin W. Fullam, Capt. Tom E. Fawcett, Capt. Will H. Chase, Capt. Warwick C. O'Neal, Capt. John H. Scharf, Capt. Thomas Brown, First Lieut. Richard Powers, First Lieut. George A. Monagon, First Lieut. Charles E. Smithson, First Lieut, W. Laurence Hazard, First Lieut William B. Wall, First Lieut. Lemuel H. Windsor, Second Lieut. James B. Jones, Second Lieut. Marsh A. Bodenhamer, Second Lieut. Her-

INQUEST IN SULLIVAN CASE.

Body of Young Woman Found in Lake Taken to Indianapolis.

The body of Miss Pauline Sullivan, William Sullivan, U. S. M. C.

OF GUARD OFFICERS

Those who participated in the enertainment were Miss Richie McLean. Miss Agnes Whalen, Miss Ruby Stanford, Miss Naecker, the Misses Huss, Messrs. Furbershaw and Loud, LeRoy Gilder, Byron Blodgett, J. Crosby Mc-Carthy, James A. Sullivan and Charles Meyers.

Those Who Were Present.

LAND CASE INVOLVES

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Government Files in U. S. Supreme

Court Brief in Oregon and
California Suit.

The government's brief in the Oregon and California land grant cases, involving more than 2,000,000 acres of land valued at \$50,000,000 to \$70,000,000, has been filed in the Supreme Court of the United States by Solicitor General Davis.

The case is against Oregon and California Railroad Company, Union Trust Company of New York and about 6,000 other defendants. There are sixty-five cross complaints and about 6,000 interveners in the suit.

Lieut. James B. Jones, Second Lieut. Herbert E. James, Second Lieut. John A. Dugan, Second Lieut. John A. Dugan, Second Lieut. John E. Devilin, Second Lieut. John E.

found Saturday afternoon in a lake at Lakeland, Md., after disappearance since December, was taken to Indianapolis for burial yesterday. The body was accom-panied by Miss Sullivan's brother, Lieut. An inquest in the case is to be held tonight by Justice of the Peace F. H. Shipley in Hyattsville, although Lleut. Sullivan has expressed his belief that his sister committed suicide or was ac-

MILITARY INSTRUCTION FOR COLLEGE STUDENTS

War Department Plans Formation of Camps at Four Points the Coming Summer.

housands of young men from schools and colleges in military camps this summer. Letters received at the War Department from students who wish the east have been referred to Maj.

Gen. Leonard Wood, commanding the Department of the East, at New York. Although the student camps last year and the year before were under direct supervision of the War Department, will give them personal supervision.

Location of the Camps.

The camps will be held at Chicka mauga Park, Ga.; Plattsburg Barracks, N. Y., and Ludington, Mich., from July Plans are going forward in the War Storm August 8, inclusive, and at the Department for the instruction of Presidio, San Francisco, from June 25 to August 1, inclusive.

Students between the ages of eighteen and thirty are eligible. A nominal fee for subsistence and clothing, amounto enroll in the five-week camps in the east have been referred to Maj.

Believing that the opportunity for a

short course in military training wil go far toward fitting young men to discharge their military duty if the country ever needs their services, Maj. Gen Wood is active in recruiting students for the two camps in the Department of the East. He believes there will be from 2,000 to 3,000 students at these camps.

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